Recognitions at May 2007 State Board Meeting

Media specialist honored for national Technology Pathfinder Award

State Superintendent of Education Jim Rex and State Board of Education member Libby Swad (right) congratulate Holly Hartell, media specialist at Pacolet Elementary School in Spartanburg School District 3, who's the winner of the 2007-2008 American Association of School Librarians (AASL) Information Technology Pathfinder Award. This national award was established in 1985 and honors a school library media specialist who shows vision and leadership in using information technology to build lifelong learners.

With this award, Hartell receives \$1,000, while Pacolet Elementary's library will receive \$500. The award will be presented on June 25th during the American Library Association's annual conference in Washington, DC.

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A graduate of Converse College and the University of South Carolina, Hartell has received numerous awards and grants. She is a certified National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Media Specialist. She has been selected by state media specialists as the Ann T. White Award recipient and previously was named Pacolet Elementary School's Teacher of the Year. Hartell is an assessor for the National Board and has been a speaker at state and national school library training conferences.

